GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - M.A. & U.D. Department - Nandyal Municipality - Certain allegations against Sri G.Ramana Reddy, former Municipal Commissioner, Nandyal Municipality - Disciplinary Proceedings initiated under Rule-20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 - Charges issued - Written Statement of Defence submitted - Further action dropped - Orders - Issued.

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MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Vig.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 63 **Dated: 30-01-2025**

Read the following :-

1. From the DTCP, AP, Mangalagiri, Lr.No.2380314/2024/M4, Dated.28.03.2024 & 13.09.2024.
2. G.O.Rt.No.843, M.A. & U.D. (Vig.III) Dept., dated 21.10.2024
3. G.O.Rt.No.844, M.A. & U.D. (Vig.III) Dept., dated 21.10.2024
4. From Sri G.Ramana Reddy former Municipal Commissioner, Nandyal Municipality, Written Statement of Defence, dated 29.11.2024.
5. From the DMA, AP, Vaddeswaram, Lr.Roc. No.9536617/2024/C1, dated 03.01.2025.

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ORDER:

Based on the report of the Director of Town and Country Planning, AP, Mangalagiri in the reference 1st read above, Common Disciplinary proceedings were initiated in the G.O.2nd read above, against (17) erring officials of Nandyal Municipality including Sri G.Ramana Reddy, former Municipal Commissioner, Nandyal Municipality on certain allegations levelled against them, duly framing charges against them. In the G.O.3rd read above, charges were issued against Sri G.Ramana Reddy, former Municipal Commissioner, Nandyal Municipality on the allegation that he has failed to collect 14 percent open space charges as required under rules and failed to discharge his legitimate official duties.

2. In the reference 4th read above, the Charged officer i.e. Sri G.Ramana Reddy has submitted Written Statement of Defense stating that, his tenure as Municipal Commissioner, Nandyal is only (03) months and also first posting to him as Municipal Commissioner. The Town Planning Supervisor, in her Inspection Report has given specific remarks that, the proposed site for construction of the building falls under congested area. As per the guidelines issued by Town Planning Department, 14% open charges not required to collect for the proposed sites which falls in Gramakantam/congested area and automatically payment also will not generate in the DPMS as per programme. Thus, fault of non-collection Open Charges cannot be attributed as responsibility of the Municipal Commissioner.

3. The Charged Officer has further stated that the condition of obtaining Registered Gift deed for the Road widening portion, has come into effect from 09.07.2018 only, consequent on amendment issued vide G.O.Ms.No.223, MA, dated 09.07.2018 amending the AP building Rules. Prior to the amendment, only an undertaking is to be obtained from the owner of the site. As per the procedure prescribed and rules in force by that time, approval of the Building Plan duly obtaining an undertaking for road widening portion in format prescribed, is valid as per the rules prevailed by that time.

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4. Further, the Charged Officer has explained that as per the Roles & Responsibilities fixed on the functionaries in the ULBs, the Town Planning Officials are mainly responsible for prompt disposal of Building Plans for permissions and ensuring all the building constructions are strictly as per sanctioned Plans. Further, in similar cases, considering the above facts into account, Government have dropped disciplinary action against certain Municipal Commissioners and considering his short tenure as Municipal Commissioner, Nandyal and first posting as Municipal Commissioner, he requested to consider his explanation positively and drop further action against him.

5. In the reference 5th read above, the Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Vaddeswaram has requested to take a view on the request of the Charged Officer Sri G. Ramana Reddy, former Municipal Commissioner, Grade-I, presently working in the O/o DMA to drop the charges, since, as submitted by him, the lapses may not be attributed to him with reference to the facts of case, guidelines and rule position explained by him and also considering his short tenure as Municipal Commissioner, Nandyal and first posting as Municipal Commissioner.

6. After careful examination of the Written Statement of Defence of Sri G.Ramana Reddy, former Municipal Commissioner, Nandyal Municipality and considering the same, Government have decided to drop further action against Sri G. Ramana Reddy former Municipal Commissioner, Nandyal Municipality, and accordingly, hereby drop further action against Sri G.Ramana Reddy former Municipal Commissioner, Nandyal Municipality.

7. The Director of Municipal Administration, AP, Vaddeswaram shall take necessary action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

S SURESH KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri G.Ramana Reddy former Muncipal Commissioner, Nandyal Municipality **through** the DMA, AP, Vaddeswaram.
The Director of Municipal Administration, AP, Vaddeswaram.

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The Regional Deputy Director of Town & Country Planning, Guntur.
The Commissioner, Nandyal Municipality.
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